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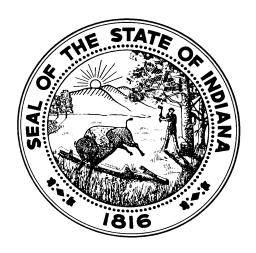
**EXAMINATION REPORT** 

OF

**DAVIS TOWNSHIP** 

STARKE COUNTY, INDIANA

January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2008





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#### OFFICIALS

<u>Office</u>	<u>Official</u>	<u>Term</u>
Trustee	Robin Latimer	01-01-07 to 12-31-10
Chairman of the Township Board	Larry Jernas	01-01-07 to 12-31-09



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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

TO: THE OFFICIALS OF DAVIS TOWNSHIP, STARKE COUNTY, INDIANA

We have examined the financial information presented herein of Davis Township (Township), for the period of January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2008. The Township's management is responsible for the financial information presented herein. Our responsibility is to express an opinion based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and, accordingly, included examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the financial information presented herein and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our examination provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial information referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial information of the Township for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2008, based on the criteria set forth in the uniform compliance guidelines established by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

The Schedule of Long-Term Debt, as listed in the Table of Contents, is presented for additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial information. It has not been subjected to the examination procedures applied to the basic financial information and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTS

February 10, 2009

## DAVIS TOWNSHIP, STARKE COUNTY SCHEDULES OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS, AND CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES

As Of And For The Years Ended December 31, 2007 And 2008

	Inv	eash and estments 1-01-07		Receipts	Disb	oursements	ln۱	Cash and vestments 2-31-07
Governmental Funds:				<u> </u>				
Township	\$	21,757	\$	15,267	\$	15,248	\$	21,776
Dog		395		_		-		395
Township Assistance		11,605		960		1,635		10,930
Firefighting		30,181		14,094		10,398		33,877
Levy Excess		-		7,488		-		7,488
Fire Debt		20,073		31,453		34,020		17,506
Cumulative Fire		9,596	_	5,205		1,957		12,844
Totals	\$	93,607	\$	74,467	\$	63,258	\$	104,816
	Inv	eash and vestments 1-01-08		Receipts	Disb	oursements	ln۱	Cash and vestments 2-31-08
Governmental Funds:				•				
Township	\$	21,776	\$	18,216	\$	13,376	\$	26,616
Dog	,	395	•	-	·	395	•	-
Township Assistance		10,930		73		1,191		9,812
Firefighting		33,877		9,327		9,097		34,107
Levy Excess		7,488		-		7,488		-
Fire Debt		17,506		33,805		30,414		20,897
Cumulative Fire		12,844		6,809				19,653
Totals	\$	104,816	\$	68,230	\$	61,961	\$	111,085

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial information.

### DAVIS TOWNSHIP, STARKE COUNTY NOTES TO FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### Note 1. Introduction

The Township was established under the laws of the State of Indiana. The Township provides the following services: public safety, health and social services, culture and recreation, and general administrative services.

#### Note 2. Fund Accounting

The Township uses funds to report on its cash and investments and the results of its operations on a cash basis. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain governmental functions or activities.

#### Note 3. Budgets

The operating budget is initially prepared and approved at the local level. In addition, funds for which property taxes are levied are subject to final approval by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

#### Note 4. Property Taxes

Property taxes levied are collected by the County Treasurer and are distributed to the Township in June and December. State statute (IC 6-1.1-17-16) requires the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance to establish property tax rates and levies by February 15. These rates were based upon the preceding year's March 1 (lien date) assessed valuations adjusted for various tax credits. Taxable property is assessed at 100% of the true tax value (determined in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance). Taxes may be paid in two equal installments which become delinquent if not paid by May 10 and November 10, respectively. All property taxes collected by the County Treasurer and available for distribution were distributed to the Township on or prior to December 31 of the year collected.

#### Note 5. Deposits and Investments

Deposits, made in accordance with Indiana Code 5-13, with financial institutions in the State of Indiana at year end were entirely insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation or by the Indiana Public Deposit Insurance Fund. This includes any deposit accounts issued or offered by a qualifying financial institution.

State statute (IC 5-13-9) authorizes the Township to invest in securities including, but not limited to, federal government securities, repurchase agreements, and certain money market mutual funds. Certain other statutory restrictions apply to all investments made by local governmental units.

#### DAVIS TOWNSHIP, STARKE COUNTY SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SCHEDULE OF LONG-TERM DEBT December 31, 2008

The Township has entered into the following debt:

Description of Doba	Ending Principal			Principal and Interest Due Within One		
Description of Debt		Balance	Year			
Governmental Activities: Notes and loans payable	\$	98,437	\$	30,414		

DAVIS TOWNSHIP, STARKE COUNTY EXIT CONFERENCE
The contents of this report were discussed on February 10, 2009, with Robin Latimer, Trustee. Our examination disclosed no material items that warrant comment at this time.